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BILLY McEWAN



Good afternoon and welcome to Millmoor for a game against a side who have a record second-to-none at this level since late last season. Bolton ended with a run of 16 league matches unbeaten and then took it to a club record 20 in all when going on to win the Sherpa Van Trophy at Wembley. Such a run marked them down as a team to note this season and they have continued in much the same vein, losing just once but not in the league.

Such evidence indicates the quality of opposition we face today and we were able to judge for ourselves last Saturday when all our squad took advantage of the early finish at Trammere and called in on Bolton's match with Bristol Rovers. What we saw was a side who like to play football and who have a nice blend of experience and youth. The club has invested money in players and recently paid £80,000 for David Reeves from Sheffield Wednesday to link up front with Tony Philliskirk, a player I know well from Bramall Lane days. I know today represents a difficult game and it will be a guideline for us. Up to last Saturday we had a record similar to Bolton's of only one defeat in 26 matches so to lose at Trammere was disappointing and particularly because it came so late. That's four goals in two games and crucial goals conceded in the last few minutes on each occasion. It's a lack of professionalism and these things are a concern. Injury and illness on Friday disrupted the preparations of most of the week and it showed at times in our organisation which has been one of our strengths. We also picked up a couple of bookings and this is something we must watch. I don't

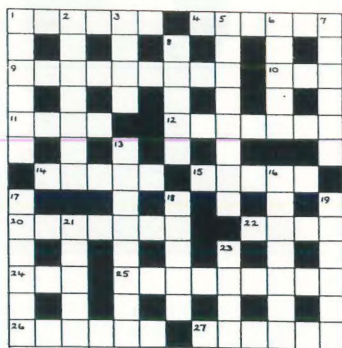
want choirboys but I want us to play with controlled aggression. We had an excellent disciplinary record last season after the problems there were before I came here and we want to maintain the good record. It was marvellous to see our youngsters pull off their 4-3 win at York in the F.A. Youth Cup on Tuesday. Having come from 2-0 down to force a replay they came from 3-1 down to win in extra-time. We look to senior players to set an example but here the youngsters have set an example to everyone at the club with their never-say-die attitude. In fact, it is the fourth time in six matches that our youngsters have come from at least two goals down to avoid defeat. It represents tremendous character and all credit to them. Finally a note of encouragement to Martin Scott who is out with glandular fever. It is a blow to the club and the player. He had a good pre-season and now comes the latest in a line of setbacks. He has to keep his chin up and we all wish him a full and speedy recovery because the most important thing is his health. Enjoy the game.

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KP NUTS

BRITAIN'S No. 1 NIBBLE

7 UN SPOT



ACROSS

1. Celtic and Scotland midfielder (6)
4. Billy, a powerful American golfer of the 1960s (6)
9. Bryan Hamilton was their manager before Pleat (9)
10. Famous Scottish fishing river (3)
11. Ski-ing mountains (4)
12. Small falcon, used for sport (7)
14. Exercises (5)
15. Scorer of Arsenal's second-last goal of last season (5)
20. A small celebrity golfer! (7)
22. Cycle race (4)

QUIZ

1. Which club had the highest attendance for a second division game last season?
2. Which club had the lowest attendance for a second division game last season?
3. Which club just avoided the drop into division four last season on goal difference?
4. Who scored both the Everton goals in their 3-2 FA Cup final defeat at Wembley in May?
5. England defeated Albania 2-0 in TIRANA in March this year who scored our goals?
6. Which footballer holds the world record for most international appearances?
7. Which player has appeared in three cup finals for three different clubs?
8. Who was the youngest player to score a hat trick on his full debut in division one?
9. Chelsea signed Graham Roberts from which club?
10. Ossie Ardiles moved from Spurs to which other London club?

24. Part of a darts match (3)
25. He was divorced and born again in 1988 (4,5)
26. Shirley was a powerful hurdler (6)
27. A crucial match (6)

DOWN

1. Jimmy, the centre-forward in Rangers' great Sixties team (6)
2. A fishy football leader (7)
3. Higgins, the enigma of snooker (4)
5. Middlesbro' park (8)
6. Davenport, the striker (5)
7. The Rochester _____, America's 1946 basketball champs (6)
8. Money for a horse-racing bet (5)
13. Australian bowler who destroyed England in the first Test of the Summer (9)
16. His last British Open win was at Royal Birkdale in 1965 (7)
17. Rowers use them (6)
18. They play at the Victoria Ground (5)
19. Foreign wicket-keeper (6)
21. Uttley, the coach of England last winter (5)
23. Maybe Rats is a Russian _____! (4)

ANSWERS

ACROSS 1. McStay 4. Casper 9. Leicester 10. Tay 11. Alps 12. Kestrel 14. Drill 15. Smith 20. Corbett 22. Tour 24. Leg 25. Mike Tyson 26. Strong 27. Crunch. DOWN 1. Millar 2. Skipper 3. Alex 5. Ayresome 6. Peter 7. Royals 8. Stoke 13. Alderman 16. Thomson 17. Sculls 18. Stoke 19. French 21. Roger 23. Star.

QUIZ

1. Manchester City 40,070 v Chelsea 2. Shrewsbury 2,457 v Bournemouth 3. Northampton Town 4. McCall 5. Barrie, Robson 6. Pat Jennings 11/9 7. Ernie Taylor Newcastle 1951 Blackpool 1953 Man Utd 1958 8. Alan Shearer Southampton v Arsenal 1988 9. Rangers 10. Q.P.R.

MILLERS AT HOME



JOHN BUCKLEY

Here we see Millers Winger John Buckley and his lovely wife Diane relaxing at their Doncaster home.

Twenty seven year old John started his career with Partick Thistle but was spotted by Doncaster Rovers whom he joined in 1984. After two seasons at Rovers he was transferred to Leeds United, before joining the Millers for £35,000.

John is the dressing room comedian and always has a smile on his face, his silky skills certainly made this popular Glaswegian a favourite with the fans.

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An excellent production this, informative, witty, accurate, good club news and good visitors coverage to name but a few points!

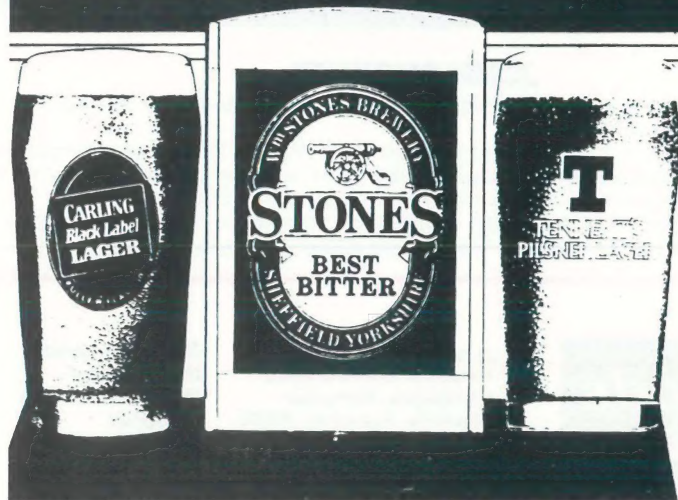
Accuracy is contained early as John Kings managers notes proved him right as he said in them that David Fairclough came on as 'sub' and missed a 'sitter' at Reading the previous week. He continued 'In time he'll put them away - no danger', - how right he was! Information is at a premium for the Tranmere supporters, having news of Reserves and current first team action. Allied to these are the recent games pictures and plenty of information on league and

cup games approaching. There is a round up, wittily produced, of current news, whilst 'Boardroom bulletin' offers a page explaining to supporters of how the club has improved facilities at the ground before and after 'Hillsborough'.

Visitors section offers excellent coverage. Only one mistake is revealed on the 'Milestones' section when it informs us that in 1980 Rotherhams record buy was Ronnie Moore at just £10,000! (I had to mention him somewhere). The rest of the information brings us a piece on manager McEwan, a very accurate account of the current team, and all Rotherhams current squad players Millers appearances. This is backed up on the next page by last encounters between the club, a real fresh change from the usual Millers coverage.

On the same page, 'Passing Back', also has games and World news from this day in years gone by. It informs us in 1978 that the Shah of Iran imposed martial law on the same day Tranmere drew 1-1 with Gillingham in front of 1,589 fans, a startling comparison! An excellent production then, only criticism is very little 3rd division news coverage, but deserved of high marks for imagination, full factual content, accuracy, up to date news and information and good representation of the club and its ideals which a good programme should convey. It is set out well, gives plenty of reading and doubled up nicely as a handkerchief after David Faircloughs late winner.

MEET THE TEAM!



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BEHIND THE SCENES

RITA SHORTT

Commercial Department

Twenty nine year old Rita joined the commercial department here at Millmoor straight from school in 1977. John Adams was her first boss who employed her in the lottery department. She now has the experience to cover all the jobs in the Commercial and Mayday departments. Married to Dave with a daughter Claire who will be two in November she now works on a part time basis working with the commercial accounts. Rita was born in Ostend, Belgium her mum is Flemish and her father an ex jockey was from South Yorkshire, she was three years old when she moved back to England. She has very little time for hobbies with daughter Claire occupying most of her time, but she does enjoy swimming and watching horse racing on T.V. She was also quick to point out that the past two years have been her happiest at Millmoor.



In Conversation With CLIVE MENDONCA

At just twenty one years old, Clive Mendonca should have the best years of his career to look forward to - years which, all being well, will see him fulfill the enormous potential he showed as a youngster. His career began with Sheffield United, the club he joined after leaving school, but the Blades were by no means the only team interested in securing his signature.

"When I was a schoolboy, I had trials with about twenty different clubs. I went to Sheffield United on two different occasions and really enjoyed it. When they said that they wanted to sign me, I didn't really have any hesitation."

He soon made a name for himself in both junior and reserve teams at Bramall Lane on account of his prolific goal scoring record, hitting the back of the net over 100 times in just two and a half seasons. However, he failed to command a regular first team place and by 1988 felt that perhaps the time was right to move on.

"Dave Bassett was very honest and said that whether or not I remained with the club was up to me, but he said that at that time I wouldn't have been in the first team, so I decided to move on."

After a brief loan period with Doncaster Rovers, Clive joined the Millers. During the Championship season his appearances were limited, and obviously, this left him a little disappointed.

"I played two games early on in the season against Scunthorpe and Lincoln City - I got the Man of the Match award against Scunthorpe and scored against Lincoln, so I thought I'd done well enough to retain my place."

This season however, it's a different story but Clive realises that competition for places leaves no room for complacency.

"It's up to me to keep my place in the team. For now I'll just take every match as it comes and with a bit of luck will continue to score goals."

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SHOTS FROM WALSTALL'S GAME

Above Right:- Mendonca gets ahead despite a desperate lunge from Walsall's defence

Above Left:- John Buckley Celebrates his goal.

Above:- Green lies defeated as Bobby Williamson hits goal in the 72nd minute

Front Cover:- No. 8 Mark Dempsey looks on as this brave attempt at goal by Clive Mendonca proves unlucky



SUPPORTERS PAGE

VICE PRESIDENTS

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to Millmoor. At the recent monthly meeting of the Vice-Presidents Association a vote was taken and the result was that we are to move back to our original lounge. Thanks to Club Director Barry Peacock and Commercial Manager Dave Nicholls for their attendance at our meetings and for their help and patience during our discussions. Thanks also to Club Director Tony Webb for attending the meeting. After this frank and lively meeting I trust that the Vice-Presidents Association will become settled in their lounge and that we can set about the task of raising some funds for the Millers! This must be our aim, to help improve the great work being done by everyone connected with the Club. Our Team-Manager Billy McEwan came along and gave a frank appraisal of team affairs and also answered our questions. It was smashing to see you Billy and we all of course appreciate what you are doing for Rotherham United. Welcome to our friends from Burnden Park. Have a nice day with us. I hope that all of our members have now got their new ties. Our Association is hoping to organise a trip to Norwich for our game there on Wednesday in the Littlewoods' Cup.

DEREK DALTON.

ROTHERHAM UNITED SUPPORTERS CLUB

Good Afternoon and Welcome to everyone from Bolton.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Following last weeks A.G.M. the R.U.S.C. committee now consists of:- Chairman - Paul Rodwell; Vice-Chairman - John Anderson; Treasurer - Ray Nettleton; Secretary - Ruth Cowley; Travel Organiser - Gordon Beckett; Membership Secretary - John Anderson; Asst. Secretary/Football Section - Chris Dungworth; Committee Members - Barbara Moore, Dawn Speight, Kevin Moore, Dean Critchley, Dave Hoyle, Alan Gambles.

Our thanks go to Dave Nicholls for giving his valuable time to attend, and for answering members questions which ranged from the Taylor Report to the price of pies! The next Committee meeting is on Sunday 17th September, 7.30p.m. at the Cross Keys Hotel. All members are welcome to attend.

A new branch of the Supporters Club is being set up in Mexborough. It will be based at the Red Lion. The inaugural meeting is on Wednesday 27th September at 7.00 p.m. Please come along if you live in that area. All correspondence to Ruth Cowley, 50 Lister Street, Rotherham Tel: 375831

MILLERS UNITED

YOUNG SUPPORTERS OF ROTHERHAM UNITED THANKS

First today I would like to thank Rotherham's No. 1 fan Derek Dalton, for coming down to our meeting two weeks ago. Derek came along and in his own special way entertained both our members and their parents with his stories and mementoes which he kindly fetched along. Derek has been a regular visitor to Millers United over the years and we really do appreciate his visits.

FOOTBALL SECTION

Last Sunday saw our three football teams play their first games in this years Centenary league programme. The U.12's beat Whitehill 9-3. Goal scorers for the Millers were David Thistlewhite 3; David Simpson; Ian Thompson; Bobby Grocock; Craig Farnsworth; Martin Flannaghan; Richard Bugdol. Well done lads. The U.11A's were beaten 3-2 with goals from Paul Marples and Robert Brannigan for the Millers. The U.11B's beat Wath 3-1. Robert Skazak, Stephen Levers & David Carley scoring. Keep it up lads. Carol Storey.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMME IN PRO-FOOTBALL (ET)

Three of my staff and six of our girls football team travelled to Birkenhead on Saturday to watch the Millers play Tranmere. Unfortunately the result went against us with that super-sub of the seventies, David Fairclough scoring the winner late on. After the match, which had kicked off at 12.30, they made their way through the Mersey Tunnel and took in the last half hour of the Everton Manchester United match. Result apart, everyone had a fun day and look forward to more trips in the future.

With Schools back after the summer holidays and parents able to relax again, my team and myself are back coaching soccer and other activities, with the children able to take in a ground visit and match. Good luck today Yours in Sport "CHICO"



DEREK DALTON REPORT

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to our friends from Bolton. I look forward to meeting up again with the legendary Nat Lofthouse whom I first met at the P.F.A. Dinner at the Hilton Hotel in London in April. What price would a player of his calibre command today? It was very disappointing to lose our unbeaten record at Prenton Park last Saturday and particularly galling to fall to a sucker punch 5 minutes from time from Super sub Fairclough. We played very well for substantial periods of the game and once again I was heartened by our travelling support. They made the journey in large numbers and made it despite the ridiculous kick off time and horrendous traffic jams on the M56. Ronnie Moore looked after me very well and he tips both teams for a top position at the end of the season. I was disappointed with England's performance in Sweden but delighted that we got a point and that we are 'almost there' regarding a place in the World Cup Final stages next Summer. It was a pity that a few hundred idiots from both sides gave the government and the vast

majority of the media the golden opportunity to gain more ammunition. These people are trying to 'kill' our great game and once again emotive statements were made by people who don't know what they are talking about before the proper facts are known. I ask everyone to do their utmost to protect the game. With this in mind I hope that Gordon Taylor will shortly be appointed as Chief-Executive of the Football League. Gordon is a good friend of mine and he has done a great job as top man at the P.F.A. He is just the man to guide the Football League throughout the 1990's and beyond. Back to today's business. We have made a highly satisfactory start to the season and we must strive to get back to winning ways against a Bolton side who I tip to do well this season. We have made tremendous progress throughout the past 17 months and I am sure that even better days are ahead for us. Enjoy the game and keep cheering.
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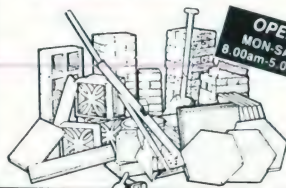
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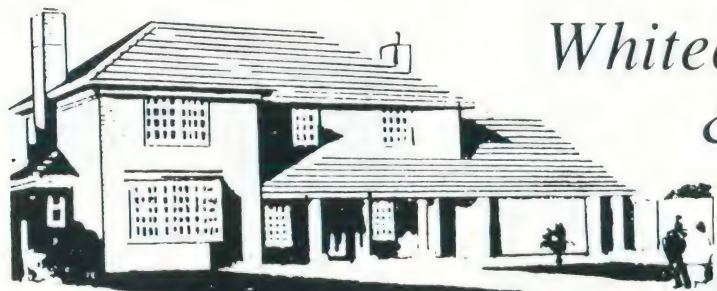


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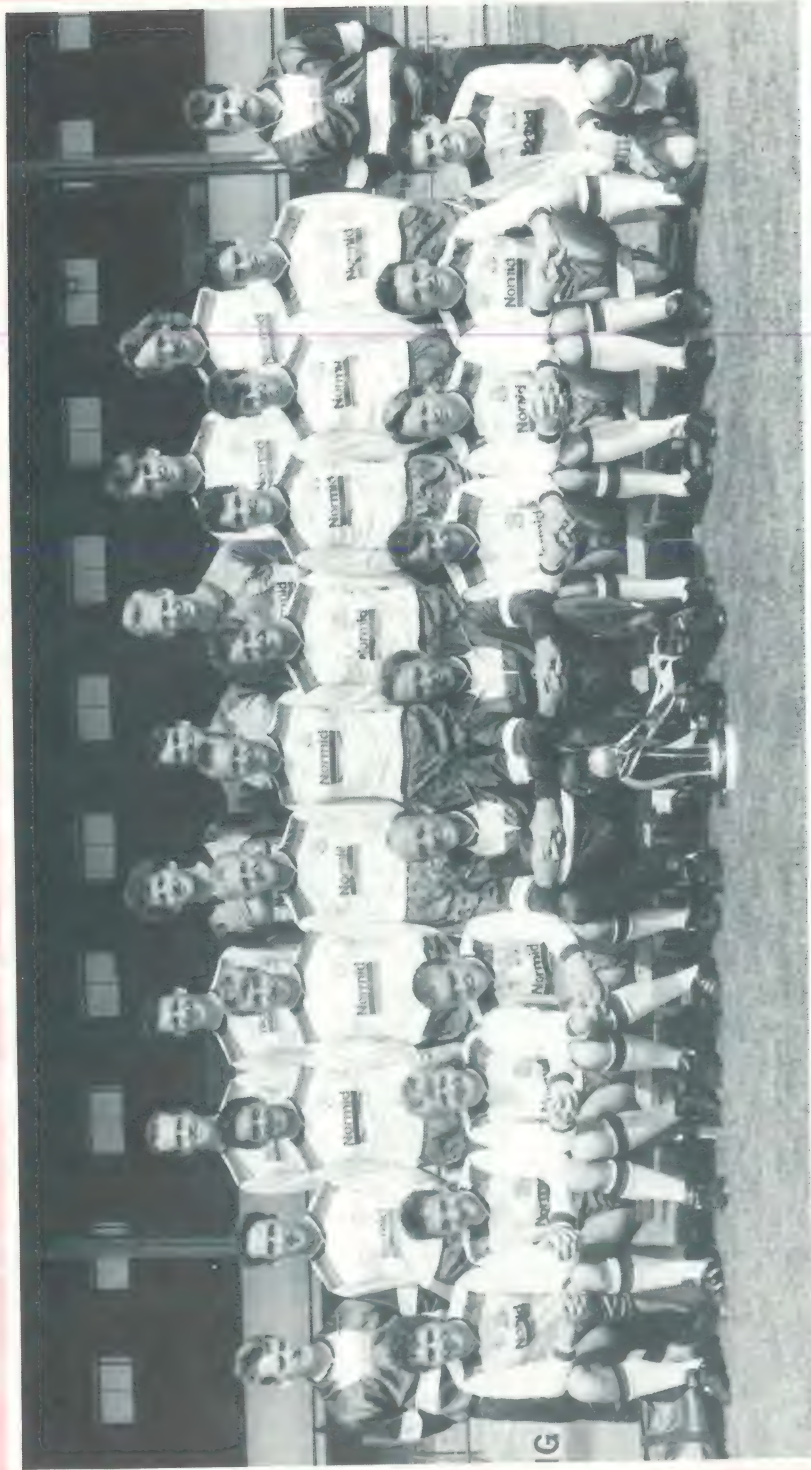
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ODAYS VISITORS

BOLTON WANDERERS

31 years after lifting the FA Cup at Wembley, the Wanderers returned in May to win the Sherpa Van Trophy. Over 46,000 witnessed a 4-1 victory after Torquay had taken a shock lead with a goal by Dean Edwards. The lads from Lancashire responded magnificently with goals from Julian Darby, Jeff Chandler, Trevor Morgan and Dean Combie, which rounded off a special day for the 25,000 travelling Wanderers fans..

The Wembley win secured a new club record of 20 unbeaten games which had stood since the 1933-34 season. Bolton eventually finished the season in 10th place just outside the play off places in what had been a topsy turvey year. After opening the season well they had climbed to 3rd in the table by the beginning of October, an indifferent spell mid-season saw them slide towards the relegation zone but that fine end to the season put paid to any doubts of the drop.

They have continued this season in the same vein with just a 2-1 defeat in the 1st leg of the Littlewoods Cup at Rochdale. In the second leg they made no mistake beating Dale 5-1. The defeat at Spotland was their only loss in 26 matches. Manager Phil Neale has put together a fine squad which includes ex-Sheffield Wednesday striker David Reeves and Sheffield United striker Tony Philliskirk, who, of course, was at Millmoor on loan for a short time.

Another player who has worn a Rotherham United shirt is full back Barry Cowdrill who again was on loan whilst on the books of West Bromwich Albion.

So a warm welcome to Millmoor for Bolton Wanderers and in particular their President NAT LOFTHOUSE who served Bolton and England so well for so many years.

STATISTICS

GROUND: Burnden Park

PITCH DIMENSIONS: 113 x 76 yards

CAPACITY: 29,000

MANAGER: Phil Neale

TEAM COLOURS: White shirts, Navy Blue shorts, White socks and Blue trims

CHANGE COLOURS: Red shirts, White shorts, Red socks

NICKNAME: The Trotters

MOST APPEARANCES FOR CLUB:

Eddie Hopkinson (519 - 1956/70)

RECORD GOALSCORER IN A

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RECORD GOALSCORER IN A

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RECORD TRANSFER FEE RECEIVED:

£340,000 for Neil Whatmore from Birmingham City

RECORD LEAGUE DEFEAT: 0-7 vs

Manchester City, Division 1, 1936

RECORD LEAGUE VICTORY: 13-0 vs

Sheffield United, 1890

MOST LEAGUE GOALS: 96, Division 2, 1934/5

MOST LEAGUE POINTS: 78, Division 4 1987/88

RECORD ATTENDANCE: 85,000 vs

Stoke City, FA Cup 6th Round, 1946

AVERAGE HOME GATE THIS SEASON: 5,718

AVERAGE HOME GATE LAST

SEASON: 4,276

GATES THIS SEASON:

Highest : 5,913

Lowest : 5,524

CLUB SPONSORS: Normid

STATISTICS THIS YEAR (LEAGUE)

Home: Fulham 0-0

Bristol Rovers 1-0

Away: Cardiff 2-0

Huddersfield 1-1

TODAYS VISITORS

KEVIN ROSE (Goalkeeper) Born Evesham. Signed for the Wanderers in a £20,000 deal during the close season from Hereford United. Began his career with Ledbury Town before joining Lincoln. At Hereford he became a regular for five seasons making over 250 consecutive league appearances.

PHIL BROWN (Full Back) Born South Shields. Signed for Bolton from Halifax in 1988 and was the only outfield player with an ever-present record last season. Started his career with Hartlepool where he made over 200 league appearances before playing 135 times for Halifax.

Appointed Club Captain last season.

BARRY COWDRILL (Full Back) Born Birmingham. Made over 100 league appearances in an 8 year spell at West Brom after starting his career at Sutton Coldfield Town. Joined Bolton in 1988 and played 38 times last season. Can also play in midfield on the left side, a position where he began his career.

DEAN CROMBIE (Defender) Born Lincoln. An experienced player who forced his way into the first team last term which coincided with the teams twenty game unbeaten run. Scored his first goal for the club in the Sherpa Van Trophy final at Wembley. Previous clubs include Lincoln and Grimsby. Clocked up his 400th league appearance last term.

MARK WINSTANLEY (Defender) Born St. Helens. Came through the clubs Youth ranks to make his league debut in 1986. He became a regular in the run into promotion from the 4th Division in 1988 and missed only two games last season. Last years' Player of the Year.

JULIAN DARBY (Midfield) Born Bolton. Signed straight from school and is the only Bolton born player in the current squad. Made his debut in 1986 and has since proved his versatility with consistent performances in both defence and midfield. Missed only two games last season and scored the Wanderers opening goal at Wembley last year.

ROBBIE SAVAGE (Midfield) Liverpool

born. Started his career at Anfield, staying for six seasons without making a first team appearance. Made his debut on loan to Wrexham and was subsequently transferred to Stoke City. Later played for Bournemouth and Bradford City before joining the Wanderers in 1987 for £35,000 and has since made over 75 appearances for the club.

GARY HENSHAW (midfield) Born Leeds. In his third season with Bolton after signing from his only other league club, Grimsby Town. He made 50 appearances for them but spent most of last season on the transfer list at his own request.

STUART STORER (Midfield) Born Harborough. Joined Wanderers in 1988 from Everton after a loan spell with the club. Previously with Mansfield and Birmingham City, with a loan spell at Wigan. 23 league appearances for Bolton last term, 13 of which were as substitute.

STEVE THOMPSON (Midfield) Born Oldham. The clubs longest serving professional who progressed through the Youth ranks to make his debut in 1982. Has since made 250 appearances for the club in three Divisions and missed only three games last season.

TONY PHILLISKIRK (Forward) Born Sunderland. Began his career with Sheffield United where he scored 20 goals in 80 games. After a loan spell here at Millmoor he moved to Oldham Athletic in 1988, but started in only three games for them. Transferred to Preston for £50,000 where he scored 6 times in 13 games. Joined Bolton in the close season for a similar fee.

DAVID REEVES (Forward) Born Heswall. Joined Sheffield Wednesday in 1986, but made his league debut on loan to Scunthorpe. Joined Burnley on loan in 1987, scoring against Bolton on his debut, and going on to net 8 goals in 16 games. Made 17 first division appearances for Wednesday last season, 9 as substitute and scoring twice. Joined the Wanderers in July.



ROUNDABOUT THREE

WITH DAVE NICHOLLS

Two surprising results last Saturday saw the much fancied Brentford lose 1-0 at home to Bury, and the free scoring Orient winning 3-1 at Walsall. Bury were a goal up in 18 minutes through Cunningham, who followed manager Sam Ellis to the Shakers during the summer. Steve Perryman's side tried everything to get back into the game but are still seeking their first victory. Rimmer gave the Saddlers a fifth minute lead but the Londoners always looked likely to score. Castle levelled after 16 minutes and then two goals in two minutes midway through the second half secured the points for Orient. Shrewsbury remain undefeated and top the league with 10 points and 10 goals. Birmingham could have gone top had they won at Gay Meadow, but in fairness Dave Mackay's side were always second best. A Willie Naughton penalty in the first half and another from McGinlay put the Shrews top. Bristol City have had an indifferent start but won their second home game at the expense of Blackpool. Jimmy Mullen's outfit were dumped by two second half goals by Newman and Wimbleton (Penalty). The other Bristol outfit were losing 1-0 to today's visitors to Millmoor who had Reeves to thank for the three points, the winner coming fifteen minutes from time in front of almost six thousand fans.

Mansfield had Charles to thank for a 1-0 win at home to struggling Cardiff who prop up the league at the moment, but under new

managership look for improvement there. The Stags will be disappointed at the crowd, just 2,766. Huddersfield continued with their late fight backs, sharing six goals in a thriller at Deepdale. Preston must have thought their first victory of the season was in the bag when they led 3-1 with five minutes remaining. Bogie, Swann and Mooney scored for Preston. Smith had pulled a goal back and Hutchings and Wilson in the final minute completed the scoring. Two goals by Rayner in two minutes in the first half was too good for visitors Chester who pulled a goal back through Newhouse.

Both the other games finished 0-0. The lowest gate of the day saw Northampton take a point at Wigan and Reading do likewise in an end to end scrap at Notts County.

MATCH MASCOTS

Today's Match Mascot is kindly sponsored by the Rotherham Advertiser, and he is six years old LEE HACKETT from Simmonite Road, Kimberworth Park in Rotherham.

Lee attends Roughwood Infants School and he is football crazy, and his favourite player is Des Hazel. All his family are lifelong Rotherham United supporters and everyone here at Millmoor hopes they all have an enjoyable afternoon.

We have this afternoon a second Mascot, and this lucky lad is three and a half year old ELDON LEO-SMITH from Moorgate in Rotherham. We hope you have a

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	LEADING SCORERS	GATES
Shrewsbury	4	2	0	0	6	2	1	1	0	4	3	10	McGinlay 3	4006
Tranmere	4	2	0	0	5	1	1	0	1	2	2	9	Malkin 5	5090
Bristol R	4	2	0	0	4	2	1	0	1	1	1	9	Mehew/Penrice 2	5294
Bolton	4	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	1	8	Philliskirk 3	5718
Huddersfd	4	1	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	6	5	8	Wilson 4	6824
Bury	4	0	2	0	3	3	2	0	0	4	2	8	Hoyland 3	3261
Rotherham	4	1	1	0	5	3	1	0	1	4	2	7	Williamson 4	6024
Fulham	4	1	0	1	2	2	1	1	0	3	2	7	Skinner 3	4681
Bristol City	4	2	0	0	3	0	0	1	1	1	3	7	Taylor 4	8055
Birmingham	4	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	3	6	Bailey 4	9259
Leyton O.	4	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	1	5	5	6	Castle 5	5117
Reading	4	1	1	0	4	3	0	2	0	1	1	6	Gilkes 5	4229
Mansfield	4	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	6	Stringfellow/Charles/Christie 2	2908
Northampton	4	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	1	2	5	Adcock 2	4088
Notts Cnty	4	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	3	3	4	Stant 2	4775
Walsall	4	1	0	2	4	6	0	1	0	2	2	4	Rimmer 3	4339
Chester	4	1	0	1	2	3	0	1	1	2	3	4	Newhouse 2	2232
Swansea	4	1	1	0	3	2	0	0	2	0	3	4	Raynor 3	3116
Blackpool	4	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	4	Burgess/Briggs/Garner/Bradshaw 1	4335
Wigan	4	0	1	1	0	3	0	2	0	2	2	3	Hilditch 3	2454
Brentford	4	0	1	1	1	2	0	1	1	2	3	2	May 3	5081
Preston	4	0	1	1	5	6	0	0	2	2	6	1	Shaw 6	5722
Crewe	4	0	1	1	3	4	0	0	2	1	5	1	Sussex/Clayton 2	3306
Cardiff	4	0	1	1	2	4	0	0	2	0	4	1	Fry/Pike/Morgan 1	3938

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Don Mackay (Blackburn R.) Div 2

Terry Cooper (Exeter City) Div 4

IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Most of you will be aware from reading the local press of our plans to improve Millmoor and the surroundings. The old windmill club on the forecourt is to be completely refurbished with work commencing in the next few weeks. We hope to have the 'TIVOLI' open in time for Christmas. We are still drawing up plans for the alterations to the Millmoor Lane Stand and the visitors seats. All this area will become the Family Stand and will be fully operational for the start of next season with some improvements planned during this season.

The land behind our main stand is to be levelled very shortly and the relaying of a new training pitch will then commence. Again, we expect this to be ready, 'weather permitting' for the commencement of next years' pre-season training. 'Follow the Millers - We are on the March'.

WELCOME BACK

It's a warm welcome back to Mark Hodges who was voted Young Player of the Year last season. Mark has been out of action for almost six months with a bad injury. He got clearance from the specialists this week to resume training. I'm sure you will all join me in wishing him lots of luck for the future.

BAD LANGUAGE

It has become more noticeable over the past few games, that a small section of our fans have started using bad language. Everyone at the club appreciated the marvellous support you have all given over the past couple of seasons, but the

foul and abusive chants we can do without. We are a family club who are attempting to attract more and more families to Millmoor. We need everyone's support in the town, please do not drive them away with your obscenities. We have plenty to sing about here at the club. We are the Champions.

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Birmingham C	v	Tranmere
Blackpool	v	Crewe
Bristol Rovers	v	Preston North E.
Bury	v	Mansfield
Cardiff City	v	Bristol City
Fulham	v	Swansea
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1953/54

At the End of the 1953/54 season football fans witnessed a rare sight one that we could never expect to see in the present era, Liverpool finish bottom of division one and they are relegated along with Middlesbrough. Both Sheffield United & Sheffield Wednesday occupy the two places immediately above the relegated pair. Wolves are worthy Champions, Stan Cullis encouraging his side to play fast exciting football saw his 'Wolves' score 96 goals and finish 4 points in front of W.B.A. Leicester and Everton win promotion from division two both finish on 56 points just one more than Blackburn Rovers. The Millers finish a very creditable fifth winning 21 games. Brentford and Oldham are relegated as Port Vale run away with the third division North, losing only three games all season. Barnsley pip Scunthorpe for the runners up spot. Ipswich win Division 3 (South) with Walsall propping up the league.

The Charity Shield was shared by Wolves and W.B.A. after an exciting 4-4 draw, meanwhile Wolves Juniors who had strong South

Yorkshire connections lost out 5-4 to Man United in the F.A. Youth Cup. West Brom won the F.A. Cup beating Preston 3-2 in an entertaining game.

In Scotland, Celtic win the First Division 5 points clear of Hearts, division 2 goes to Motherwell. East Fife are the surprise winners of the League Cup with the Scottish F.A. Cup going to Celtic who beat Aberdeen 2-1.

Switzerland lost the World Cup finals, Germany win for the first time beating Hungary 3-2. Back home the home championship is won by England who win all three games. Scotland are sunk 4-2, Wales 4-1 and Ireland 3-1, a trip to Belgium ends 4-4, back at Wembley the West Germans leave Wembley beaten 3-1. Switzerland are beaten 2-0 in Berne but Hungary hammer us 7-1 in Budapest. Yugoslavia also beat us 1-0 in Belgrade, Hungary turn on the style against the North Koreans and cruise home 9-0. Duncan Edwards becomes the youngest player to play for the England under 23 side aged 17 years 3 months and Tom Finney wins the player of the year award.

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Wolves	42	25	7	10	96	56	57
2 WBA	42	22	9	11	86	61	53
3 Huddersfield	42	20	11	11	78	61	51
4 Man United	42	18	12	12	73	58	48
5 Bolton	42	18	12	12	75	60	48
6 Blackpool	42	19	10	13	80	69	48
7 Burnley	42	21	4	17	78	67	46
8 Charlton	42	18	12	14	74	68	44
9 Charlton	42	19	6	17	75	77	44
10 Cardiff	42	18	8	16	51	71	44
11 Arsenal	42	19	5	18	87	58	43
12 Arsenal	42	15	13	14	75	73	43
13 Aston Villa	42	16	9	17	70	60	41
14 Portsmouth	42	14	11	17	81	89	39
15 Newcastle	42	14	10	18	72	77	38
16 Tottenham	42	16	5	21	65	76	37
17 Man City	42	14	9	19	80	89	36
18 Sunderland	42	14	8	20	81	89	36
19 Sheffield Wed	42	15	6	21	70	91	36
20 Sheffield United	42	11	11	20	69	90	33
21 Middlesbrough	42	10	10	22	69	91	30
22 Liverpool	42	9	10	23	68	97	28

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Leicester	42	23	10	9	97	60	56
2 Everton	42	20	16	6	92	58	56
3 Blackburn	42	23	9	10	86	50	55
4 Nottm Forest	42	20	12	10	86	59	52
5 Rotherham	42	21	7	14	80	67	49
6 Luton	42	18	12	12	64	59	48
7 Burningham	42	18	11	13	78	58	47
8 Fulham	42	17	10	15	58	85	44
9 Bristol Rovers	42	14	16	12	64	58	44
10 Leeds	42	15	13	14	89	81	43
11 Stoke	42	12	17	13	71	60	41
12 Doncaster	42	16	9	17	59	63	41
13 West Ham	42	15	9	18	67	69	39
14 Notts County	42	13	13	16	54	74	39
15 Hull	42	16	6	20	66	38	38
16 Lincoln	42	14	9	19	65	83	37
17 Bury	42	11	14	17	54	72	36
18 Derby	42	12	11	19	64	82	35
19 Plymouth	42	9	16	17	65	82	34
20 Swansea	42	13	8	21	58	82	34
21 Brentford	42	10	11	21	49	78	31
22 Oldham	42	8	9	25	40	89	25

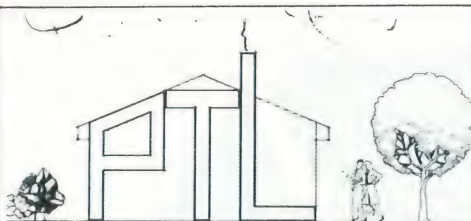
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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Port Vale	46	26	17	3	74	21	69
2 Barnsley	46	24	10	12	77	57	58
3 Scunthorpe	46	21	15	10	77	56	57
4 Gateshead	46	21	13	12	74	55	55
5 Bradford City	46	22	9	15	60	55	53
6 Chesterfield	46	15	14	13	76	64	52
7 Mansfield	46	20	11	15	68	62	51
8 Wrexham	46	21	9	16	81	68	51
9 Bradford PA	46	18	14	14	77	68	50
10 Stockport	46	18	11	17	77	67	49
11 Southport	46	17	12	17	63	60	46
12 Barrow	46	16	12	18	72	71	44
13 Carlisle	46	14	15	17	63	71	43
14 Tranmere	46	18	7	21	59	70	43
15 Accrington	46	15	10	20	66	74	42
16 Crewe	46	14	13	19	49	67	41
17 Gainsby	46	16	9	21	51	77	41
18 Hartlepool	46	13	14	19	59	65	40
19 Rochdale	46	15	10	21	59	77	40
20 Warrington	46	13	14	19	59	80	40
21 Darlington	46	12	14	20	50	71	38
22 York	46	12	13	21	64	86	37
23 Halifax	46	12	10	24	44	73	34
24 Chester	46	11	10	25	48	72	32

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Ipswich	46	27	10	9	82	51	64
2 Brighton	46	26	9	11	86	61	61
3 Bristol City	46	25	6	15	88	66	56
4 Watford	46	21	10	15	85	69	52
5 Northampton	46	20	11	15	87	55	51
6 Southampton	46	22	7	17	76	63	51
7 Norwich	46	20	10	16	72	66	51
8 Reading	46	20	9	17	86	73	49
9 Exeter	46	20	8	18	68	58	48
10 Gillingham	46	19	10	17	81	65	48
11 Leyton Orient	46	18	11	17	79	73	47
12 Millwall	46	19	9	18	74	77	47
13 Torquay	46	17	12	17	81	88	46
14 Coventry	46	18	9	19	81	66	45
15 Newport	46	15	6	21	61	81	44
16 Southend	46	18	7	21	69	71	43
17 Aldershot	46	17	5	20	74	86	43
18 QPR	46	16	10	20	60	68	42
19 Bournemouth	46	16	8	22	67	70	40
20 Swindon	46	15	10	21	67	70	40
21 Shrewsbury	46	14	12	20	65	76	40
22 Crystal Palace	46	14	12	20	60	86	40
23 Colchester	46	10	10	26	50	78	30
24 Walsall	46	9	8	29	40	87	25





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The Under 10's started very well with a promising victory away at Wickersley Youth, 2-1 Gary Eades and Steven Cupit scoring.

The Under 11's away to Young Owls battled well but went down 2-1.

The Under 12's Hit the goal five times as they romped to a 5-1 win at Wickersley Youth. Doubles from Darvis & Duffy and a single from Atkinson.

Under 13's A well taken hat-trick from Cooper blunted Junior Blades as Millmoor won 3-2.

Under 14's Had a fine victory over Middlewood. 5-2, Leavy, Firthy, Netting twice and Snozer once.

Under 15's Took on Somersall at home and tore their defence apart as 7 goals blasted them away, hat-trick from Spalding and one each for, Gray, Duckels, Musgrove and Bergin.

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Tue	Oct 17	Leyton Orient	H
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v **NORTH YORKSHIRE BOYS**

PETE MOXON

White's News Agency, Sheffield

A few words about the on-field sartorial elegance of today's footballing kids. Unless your pint-sized protege is sporting this season's new outfit he's the odd man out. Nobody needs reminding about the cost of kitting out a kid in the latest gear but spare a thought for the young fan kicking about on the local park wearing the new Liverpool shirt. I mean, fancy paying £16 for a shirt that looks like its been splashed with emulsion - I could have understood it if Crown Prints were still the sponsors. Mind you if you want to stand out in a crowd why not splash out on a Sheffield United away shirt. The luminous yellow provoked a few comments when United were down here the other week. The best of the lot was the confusion that could arise with policemen and stewards wearing similar coloured bibs.

There's still a lot of debate in and around Bramall Lane over why Dave Basset's outfit have been banging in the goals thick and fast against Second Division opposition, but could only manage one in two games against Rotherham. Would it be too smug to suggest Rotherham can play a bit. I can also reveal that though shouting and

cheering in the press box is not the done thing there were one or two muffled comments of delight when Bobby Williamson's penalty winner went in on the second leg.

Ron Atkinson is still in the big money league despite running a Sheffield Wednesday team propping up the First Division. Club accounts show that big Ron picked up a staggering £1,000 a day for keeping Wednesday in the first division last summer. So, even if the Arsenal fans are right with their unflattering chant 'He's big, he's fat, he's going to get the sack', no doubt Goldfinger will leave with a bumper pay off. Meanwhile, of course, across the City United fans are cock-a-hoop because for the first time in years they have stolen the limelight from Hillsborough and they are flying high at the top of the second division.

Congratulations to Andy Barnsley with his SECOND league goal. In nearly 140 league games the strike at Tranmere is the first goal at the right end - the only other is an own goal according to Andy. Even the Football Bible got it wrong - Rothman's have Andy down as having scored at Sheffield United but Andy insists they were wrong.

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PONTINS LEAGUE

ROTHERHAM UTD. RES 1

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Team : MERCER, WATTS, HEARD, PEPPER, JOHNSON, RICHARDSON, THOMPSON, GOODWIN, AINSCOW, WILSON, SMITH

Subs: HOWARD, BROOKS

A very untidy first forty five minutes was followed by a more entertaining second half. Rotherham had Billy Mercer back in goal after his injury, and Nigel Johnson in centre defence got another ninety minutes valuable match practice.

The Millers lightweight forward line were the first to show and Mark Wilson and Julian Watts both went close to giving the Millers the lead. Most of the play was confined to midfield where Nigel Pepper and Shaun Goodwin were both busy. Billy Mercer had been untroubled until a bad back pass from Nigel Johnson let Preston in our goal, however he did react quickly and his save brought the first corner of the half on 44 mins. Four bookings in the first half bore no reflection on the play.

The second half belonged totally to the Millers with the Rotherham Defence in commanding form. The winning goal came after 53 mins, Andy Ainscow saw his shot blocked but young Mark Wilson reacted the quicker to knock over a fine cross which Ainscow headed in firmly off a post, to score his first goal in a Rotherham shirt. The Millers then gained a number of corners with Neil Richardson unlucky not to score from one of them.

Jonathan Howard came on for the injured Mark Wilson and he had a good effort blocked by the Preston Keeper. So a much improved second half performance earning the Millers a deserved victory.

INTERMEDIATES

HALIFAX TOWN JUNIORS 1

ROTHERHAM UNITED JUNIORS 1

Team : S. FORD, P. SAUNDERS, A. TAYLOR, M. WILSON, M. ROE, J. WATTS, C. BROOKS, J. SMITH, N. BOOKER, J. HOWARD, F. FOSTER.

SUBS : A. SAUNDERS, D. SEDDONS.

Rotherham produced a lively start to their game against Halifax, the fixture actually taking place in Huddersfield. Fraser Foster was unlucky with an early effort when his firm header came back off the crossbar after a fine cross from Chris Brooks. Neil Booker should have scored from the follow up but volleyed over.

Halifax were getting no joy out of the Rotherham defence where Julian Watts was having an outstanding game. Rotherham then missed two clear openings to go in front before the break but the chances went begging.

Again Rotherham were creating chances as the second half took shape but Chris Brooks twice and Neil Booker were guilty of missing half chances. It only seemed a matter of time before Rotherham took the lead, but inevitably they paid for some poor marking from a throw in, allowing the home striker time to volley home into the top corner. The goal came with just thirteen minutes remaining. John Breckin then made a substitution putting on Darren Seddons for his first game of the season in place of Neil Booker. When all looked lost for the Millers it was he who equalised. He finished off a good move with a fine strike from the edge of the box with just two minutes remaining. So just a point to show from the game they dominated for long periods, but in the end they were grateful for that.

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10 YEARS AGO - September 1979 BLACKPOOL 3 ROTHERHAM U. 2

Millers: Mountford, Forrest, Tiler, Rhodes, Green, Breckin, Gooding, McEwan, Gwyther, Fern, Finney. Sub: Smith

Two defeats in a week was a great disappointment to the Rotherham fans particularly those who chose to have a day beside the seaside, for the Blackpool game was one the Millers should have won. Dave Gwyther had given the Millers a perfect start after just 3 minutes, Billy McEwan knocked in a fine cross and Gwythers header was sheer perfection. Blackpool hit back with two goals in two minutes. Wilson headed in from a corner on 29mins, then the same player headed down for Kellow to volley home. Rotherham fought back in the second half and Mark Rhodes equalised with a free kick with twenty minutes left. Gwyther and Fern then had chances to win the game for Rotherham but it was the seaisiders who grabbed the winner with a brave diving header from Stan McEwan the brother of Billy.

20 YEARS AGO - September 1969 League Cup

ROTHERHAM U. 3 BOLTON W. 3

Millers: Furnell, Hudson, Leigh, Griffin, Watson, Hague, Brogden, Storrer, Womble, Bentley, Mullen. Sub: Medland

The first game was a thrill a minute in one of the most exciting cup games ever staged at Millmoor. The first game being marred by the sending off of Dave Watson and Roy Greaves of Bolton. The Millers took the lead after 5 minutes from Jim Storrer, but despite intense Rotherham pressure, the visitors scored with their first real attack. In 3 minutes of the second half, Bolton took the lead with a Byron header. The Rotherham youngsters replied with a goal by Brogden, who repeated the feat 7 minutes later to put the Millers in front. With just 4 minutes left, Bolton equalised and took the game to extra time, where goalkeeping heroics at either end kept the scoreline level.

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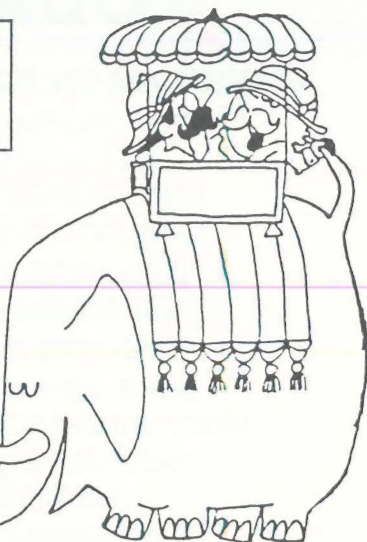
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The Football Trust has installed Closed Circuit Television systems at more than 110 British grounds. The cameras have a range of 150 metres and immediate close-up prints can be produced. Within minutes of an incident offenders can be identified and arrested with film made available as evidence in court. CCTV is the most effective anti-hooligan measure inside football grounds and the programme has been extended to include portable systems.

CCTV is only one of The Football Trust's many initiatives. Each year it receives over £9.5 million from the Spotting-the-Ball competition run by Littlewoods, Vernons and Zettlers and spends it on projects that benefit all levels of the game throughout the United Kingdom.

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